

dis of fery & of good doctryne. whi
ch pou hast gete / but eltherise y
vncouenable fablis & olde wim
eres fablis. haite yisile to pi
tee / for bodily exercitaciou. is
pfitable to lytel yig; but ptee
is pfitable to alle yigis. y hav
a biheette of lyf & now is & y
is to come. **A** trewe word.
& woz y al acceptaciou & in yis
yig we tranelen. & ben cur lid.
for we hopen i hyngge god y is
sawpou of alle men. moost of
feryful me / comaunde y yis yig
& techy / no ma dispise y yongre.
but be pou enlaspole of feryful
me i word. i hyngge i charite. in
fery i charite / til i come take
tent to redige. to exortaciou
& techyng. nyle y litel charge pe
grace which is in yee. y is so
ui to pee bi ptecie wip puttig
on of hondie of presthod yente
pon yis yigis. i yele be pon. yat
y pfitig be dherbid to alle me
take tent to doctryn. be bily i
he / for pou dopuge yis yigis.
shalt make hope y silk cast. & he
y heere yee / blame pou not an
eldere man. but bisech as a fad
zonge me as hyen. elde wipm
men. as modis / zonge wipme.
as harys i al charite. **C. v. //**
Honour pou widois: y
ben yri widois / but if
ony widois hay childre
of sonis. lerne she first to go
ime hyr hous. & quyte to fadir
& modir / for yis yig is acceptid
bifore god / & she y is a widois &
zily & desolat. hope in god. & be
bily in bisechngis & preieris
nyxt & day. for she yat is hyng

ge i delices. is deed & comaunde
pon yis yig. y yri ben wipome
repret / for if ony ma hay not
cure of his owne. & moost of
his houshold me. he hay denyed
pe fery. & is worle pa an vnferp
ful ma. & widois be choli not
lesse ran fyrty zeer. y was wip
of oon holebonte. & hay witenel
fig in good werkis. & she noz
chide childre. if she rellayned
poze me to herboze. if she hay
wailshu yee feet of holi me. if
she mynystride to me y suffie
den tribilaciou. if she solewde
al good werk / but eltherise pou
zongre widois. for wthane yri
han don lecherie. y wolen be
weddid in ca / haunge danna
ciou. for yri han mand voyde y
furste fery. also yri ydel lermen
to go aboute housis. not conly
ydel but fil of wordis & currou
se. lpetige yigis y bihoney not
y fore / i wole y zonger widois
be weddid. & hyngge forp childre.
& ben hofewynes to yme noo
occalioun to y adufarne. bi can
se of curtid ying / for nows fime
ben turned abac after sathans
if ony feryful ma hay widois.
myntre he to he / y yee chnehe
be not greuyd. y it suffice to
hem y ben verrey widois. y
prestis y ben wel goimouris.
ben yey had woz y to doiblic
honour / moost yri y tranelen
in word & techyng. for lature sey
y it hat not bzidele y mony of
y oze yreulthige. & alwer
ma is woz y his hyze. nyle
pou reslepne acutis agend
pzeest. but widois treyue

or yre witenel / but repreue
pon me yat synen bifore alle
me. y also ower hane drete / i pte
bifore god & ihu crist. & his choli
angels. y pon kepe yis yigis
wipome puidice. & do no ying
i bolkyngge into yee oym. fyde / put
te pou hondie to no ma. neyr
amoon conyue y wip oye me
yis synes. kepe y silk chast
nyle pou zit dzyne watir. but
yle altyl wip for y stomak.
& for ym ofte fallng. i fymite
es. su mens synes ben opyn
bifore goyng to doom. but of
su men yri come after. & also
goode dedis ben opyn. & po yat
han he in opir maner molu
not be lnd. **C. vi. //**
Wat en seruautis be y
dn zok. deme yri her loz
dis woz y al honour. lest yri na
me of yee lord & yee doctryn be
blasfemyd & yri y han feryful
lordis. dispise hem not for yri
ben hyen / but moze serue
yri. for yri ben feryful & loued.
which beu parteneris of be
nefice / techy pou yis yigis.
& mouette pou yis yigis. if ony
ma techy oym wyle. & acordy
not to yee holi wordis of oure
lord ihu crist. & to yat techyng. yis
by ptee. he is prond & can no
yig / but langtillthp aboute
questiouns & stryngs of wordis.
of yee which beu bzout forp
eyes. strynes. blasfemyes. y
nele suspiciouns. fytigis of me
y ben corrupt in soule & y be
pzyued fro treupe. y demen
wip yis to be ptee / but agreeet
wip yis is ptee. wip suffie